

CLAIMS

1. Electrical contact element for an alkaline electrochemical cell, **characterized** in that the electrical contact element is made of a copper tin alloy.

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2. Electrical contact element of the claim 1, **characterized** in that the electrical contact element contains 0,05 – 1,5 % by weight tin.

3. Electrical contact element of the claim 2, **characterized** in that the electrical
10 contact element contains 0,3 – 0,7 % by weight tin.

4. Electrical contact element of any of the preceding claims, **characterized** in that the electrical contact element has a circular cross-section.

15 5. Electrical contact element of any of the preceding claims 1 - 3, **characterized** in that the electrical contact element has a quadratic cross-section.

6. Electrical contact element of any of the preceding claims 1 - 3,
20 **characterized** in that the electrical contact element has a quadrangular cross-section.

7. Electrical contact element of any of the preceding claims 1 - 3, **characterized** in that the electrical contact element has a polygon cross-
25 section.

8. The use of a copper tin alloy as an electrical contact element in an alkaline cell.